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JOHN TRUMAN.

Extract from Human Life. (Continued from Number 7.)

Mr. Truman forms an acquaintance with the amiable Miss Mary Alworthy—he marries—but their wedding was quite different from many; instead of admitting that mirth which indeed is folly and madness, they devoutly meditated on the important station of an united head of a house, and religious reflections employed those hours of festivity, which often are lost in vanity.

Mrs. Truman was a true lover of GOD, and an example of piety: It was her joy to render her husband happy, and nothing by her was ever deemed trivial which afforded him pleasure: and he was no less careful to

render her days agreeable.

Their house becomes a place for the worship of the true GOD, in holy family devotion.

They were industrous, yet always religious, and if any concerns had to give way, those of this world were sure to be the ones. Piety was their glory, and nothing was before it in their minds, it was of the first importance with them.

One evening when engaged in conversa-

tion on the scenes of a glorious immortality, a rap was heard at their door, a beggar soon entered, and after he was kindly refreshed, he related the sad tale of his woe. Says he, "I am unable to work or I never would beg: I once had a family-one of the dearest of wives, and four little ones, but sickness and death came into our windows, my children twining round my heart were torn from my weeping eyes, they died in my arms, my writhing soul bowed beneath the shock; but O heavens! my cup was not yet full, my support in my dear partner vanished, my wife sickened and died also, my big swoln heart now burst assunder : good God for what did I live! but my time was not yet come to follow; though my strength failed me through sorrow and sickness, I yet live. I am poor and dead to this world; I see nothing left in this vain region, able to cheer my sorrowing heart, and I wander and beg my bread-but I am not comfortless, GOD lives, and the Savior reigns: after a little while I shall go home and see my spouse and babes, and what is best of all my GOD."

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Remarks on some leading ideas in the begining of the 2d chapter of the 1st epistle of the apostle Paul to his son Timothy.

1. Who gave himself a ransom for all. That Christ "tasted death for every man,"

and made salvation possible for all, I believe. Now the sinner is condemned, not for a thing impossible, but for his not being saved from his sins, since this is obtainable thro' Jesus, who was so named for free salvation.

- 2. Who will have all men to be saved. This is perfectly consistent. He that is saved, comes to the knowledge of the truth, and leads a quiet and peacable life. Divine will can be no otherwise, let the event be as it will. Salvation is from sin : now if GOD does not will this, he wills the reverse, that is, that we sin and be damned: there can be no alternative here. The law of GOD in some degree is known by all, this law is the divine will revealed to man: now if GOD does not will that we should keep his law, he wills that we violate it: and if he wills this he wills that we should break his will! Furthermore, we admit the existence of sin, which is the transgression of the law, and this is admitting to all intents and purposes, the violation of the will of GOD our savior, who will have all men to be saved.
- 3. Pray—without wrath. That is, pray not opposed to the divine will, but in sub, mission, Thy will be done.

4. Pray — without doubting. That is, without doubting the excellency of the divine will, and that a sovereign G O D will eventuate all things well.

5. And giving of thanks for all men. How consistent! All men may come to GOD

through Christ, and have many blessings through his death, therefore we ought to give thanks for all men, and all men ought to be thankful.

6. Intercessions for all men. The fullness of the atonement renders it consistent to intercede for all men, that they may cease to sin, and lead a quiet and peacable life in all godliness and honesty: Then they not only shall be, but are now saved.

7. To be testified in due time. The gospel shall be preached through the universe in due time; otherwise how can Jesus whom GOD hath ordained, Judge the world?

Lastly. For nearly 6000 years some men have gone counter to the laws or will of heaven, this fact proves its possibility: and if it is possible 6000 years it may be longer, and how long we cannot say, more than what we read in the

### BIBLE.

#### A RACE OF PIGMIES.

On the 20th of last April, Dr. C. laid before the royal society, London, some particulars repecting a race of Pigmies, said to exist as a nation in the center of the Island of Madagascar. A. M. Baudin, who had visited that Island and spent 50 days among them, and who was in the French W. Indias, had one of these beings preserved; it was a man about 33 years of age measuring only 32 inches, but perfectly proportionate in all its parts. child of a year old was also preserved in spirits, and measured one foot. These people are represented as being much fairer than the other natives, and of a bright copper color: they are also said to be very ingenious, to be expert with bows and arrows or javelins; and to be hospitable, humane, and generous. They are also very numerous, Baudin having seen above 8000 in one town. The women are said to have little breasts, and almost so that the children are fed with cow's milk. D. Chisholm, who personly inspected and measured these preserved bodies, concludes, that a pigmy race should be no longer considered as fabulous, and that such has now been discovered in Madagascar. Other voyagers have also mentioned the existence of these singular people.

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#### AUSTRIA.

The late struggle of the Austrians, has been a most bloody scene, the horrors of war, how affecting to humanity! To afford but a faint view, we will mention the ravages where the late battles took place: 27 large villages deserted, 17 of them wholly ravaged, the rest partially so: many of the inhabitants in the woods and forests. Between 2 and 3,000 Austrians who remained in a field of rye, were burnt to death, by the rye taking fire.

A peace appears to be now concluded between Austria and France, and much more favorable to the former then was expected, and they appear yet to be respect-

ed by Napoleon.

#### LONDON October 28 1809.

A duel was fought at Midgham Grove, on Tuesday morning, between capt. F. & Mr. H. a clergyman, in cosequence of a dispute at the house of a Mr. C. on the Jubilee night respecting too much familiarity Mr. H. conceived to have been used by the capt. towards Mrs. H. at a ball. The combatants exchanged two shots each, and in the latter the officer was shot in the ear, but the wound is not mortal, they parted in friendship.

#### FEMALE DUEL.

A duel took place lately between two young ladies at Ratisbon, the one 14 the other 15 years of age, having quarreled about the affection of a lover, provided themselves with a case of pistols, and in the rage of their jealousy fired at each oth-

erwith the muzles almost touching: one was killed, the other wounded dangerously.

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A machine has been lately invented by M. B. Belknap Esq. of the state of Ohio for the purpose of making wrought nails, entirely new, all sizes are made, and brads by removing the part which heads the nail. Two may be compleated at one opperation in two seconds.

Baron Durendorf has invented a machine by which a person may exist under water, very useful, to find drowned persons, or to rescue those in danger of drowning.

We are sorry to learn that the sloop Industry, Fairbanks of Fairfield, Con. from N. York for Washington, N. C. with a cargo of dry goods, went ashore a few days since on Ocracock Bar, and immediately went to pieces. The crew and passengers all took to the boat, but such was the violence of the surf that it upset, and all were drowned except a sailor, who saved his life by getting on a trunk which floated to the shore with him.

#### FIRES.

A gristmill, sawmill, fullingmill, and carding machine, on the river La Moil, in Milton, Ver. were lately destroyed by fire, with a bridge: loss 25000 dollars.

Backus' extensive Iron works, in Norwich, Con, were lately burnt, a heavy pub-

lic loss.

A barn of Abel Lakin's of Lyndeboro'& three children burnt.

A large building at Tyngsboro', occupied as a gristmill, sawmill, and containing a carding machine, lately burnt by the stove.

On the night of the 5th of Nov. the store and dwelling house of Mess. Goodell and Hosmer, of Jafferey, burnt with contents, books, &c.

The dwelling house of Mr. A. Parish of Dummerston, Ver. burnt with effects, on

Nov. 8th at night.

· On the monday night previous to our last. annivarsary thanksgiving, the new, elegant and large dwelling house of the late Gen. Montague, of Amherst, was consumed by fire, the furniture and windows were principally saved. The fire accidentally took place in a back adjoining house. The loss may be estimated at about 2500 dollars.

Lately destroyed by fire, a barn in Sturbridge, belonging to Landlord Fisk. The fire was occationed by the carrying a lanthorn into the barn in the evening: the cattle were saved by the exertions of a Lady,

the men of the house being absent.

## PICHMOND, DEC. 15.

Yesterday morning, between 3 and 4 o'clock, a fire was discovered in the upper part of the house of Mr. Wm. Rose, but was extinguished with little loss.

During the alarm, a young lady leaped out of a window of the third story, but providentially received little or no injury.

### DEATHS.

Nathan Coon of Sugar Creek, in the county of Wilkesbarre, being out a hunting, started some deer, he fired, but the deer were out of the way, and a capt. Clark was killed, who was at work on a new road and being seen through some bushes was supposed by Mr. Coon to be the deer.

At Portland, Maine, J. Curtis leaped from a two story window and expired, insane.

In Shallow-Bay, I. Rendall, and R. Cross, were killed by I. Perry with an axe. R. his master, reprimanded him, for which he was killed, C. came to his assistance and shared the same fate. P. buried them with his axe, and then confessed the crime.

Dec. 7, on friday last a son of Mr. J. Gun of Montague, aged four years, wandered one and half mile from home, into a sugar orchard, where it lost its way, and perished. It was found next morning.

Died at Tolland, Mr. Eleazer Hatch. His death was occationed by the kick of a horse, which he survived four days in the

most excruciating pain.

—In Nantucket, Mrs. Coleman, being subject to fits, she fell into the fire in one of them, and lived but a short time after. Also Dinah Ames, aged 16, whose death was occationed by falling in the fire.

—In Salisbury, Con. Mr. R. D. Dutcher, aged 58: while sitting at supper apparently in good health, he suddenly be-

came ill and died.

In Hingham, Mary, daughter of Capt. Ths. Brown, aged one year and ten months: while in the act of running, she turned suddenly and fell backward, her head striking the floor, she expired in an hour after.

At Kittery of the bite of a mad dog, in the highest degree of Hydrophobia rage, Mr. Rufus Gould, aged 23.

A young man in a fit of insanity shot himself on the Battery, New York December. 1809.

The first duel fought in New-England, was between two servants with sword and dagger, neither being killed, they were punished with having their feet & heads tied together 24 hours without meat or drink. This was in the year 1621.

On the 26th of last Oct. the present king of Great Britian entered the 50th year of his reign. An epoch noted in the English prints as not having occurred since the reign of Edward III, and only in the space of 1200 years. The present Heir Apparent of the English crown, is the Prince of Wales, in his 48th year, and the state of his constitution does not promise very long life. Should he have no male issue, which most likely will be the case, and his daughter, the Princess Charlotte of Wales, who is in her 14th year, should survive him, the crown of the united Kingdom will devolve on a female.

There seems to be a prevailing propensity to judge and condemn the Heads of our State and National Government, this we note as a ruinous evil.

How many ways there are for men to undo themselves: of many agreeable men we can discover only the wreck of their person and property.

Those there are that trip lightly over the earth, as though they were formed of better dust: but, were it possible to make these — know how they are dispised by every good citizen, it might make them conclude it best to have ballast as well as sail, and brains as well as a shell of a head. A fop, of all fools, is the most despicable, and the least likely to be worth any thing.

#### ODE TO NEW-YEAR.



Lo another year is fled, Numb'ring thousands with the dead : Thousands living last New-Year, Now no more in time appear. O the multitude that then, Hail'd the new-year ushering in, Now no more to cheer this day, Hence, afar, they've fled away; Little did they think of dying, Till they found themselves a flying: Scarcely could they cry adieu, Ere away their souls had flew. View the changes of the world, How the rolling year has hurl'd, Nations from their dearest rights-All their glory vail'd in night. Ere the year begun to day, Rapidly is stole away : Who can tell the great events? Who can tell who may go hence? We no more may smile with friends, Ere this joyous new-year ends, Thousands happy on this hour, Death this year may quick devour. Happy those who spend each day, Rightly as it wings away, They no changes need to fear, Meeting all things with good cheer.

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